Drive-in for
DOSA
8 AM - 11 AM & 5 PM - 10 PM
HOTEL
SIDDHARTA
NAZARABAD, MYSURU PH: 2522999

STAR OF MYSORE

OUR EVENING DAILY

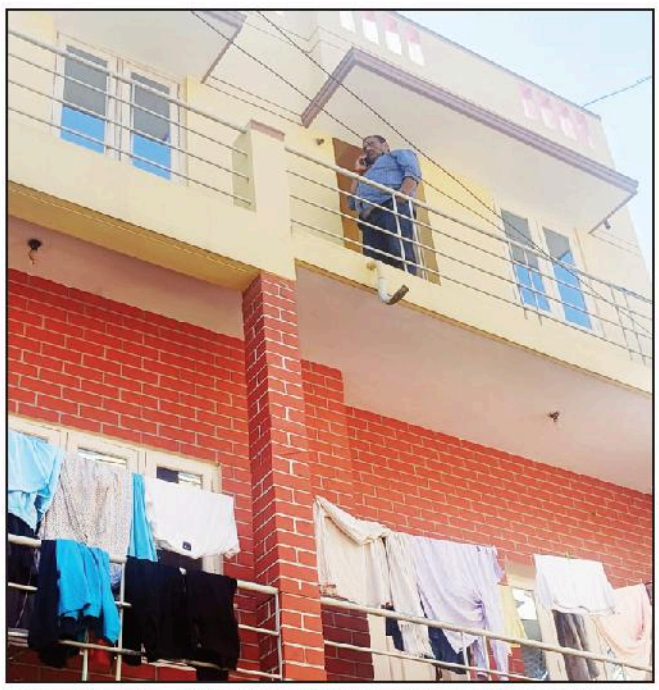
Vol. 46 No. 305 Pages: 12 Rs. 3.00
Ph: 2496520 / 21 / 22 / 23
E-mail: voice@starofmysore.com
ad@starofmysore.com

MYSURU Tuesday 26th December 2023
City Offices: K.R. Circle Ph: 2431774
Devaraja Urs Road Ph: 2428695
Visit: www.starofmysore.com

Radisson Blu
PLAZA HOTEL MYSORE
FEEL LIGHTER
TATTVA
SPA
MYSORE'S BEST

Parliament Security Breach

Delhi Police back at Manoranjan's house



A Cop from the Delhi Police Special Cell speaking over phone from Manoranjan's house in Vijayanagar, Mysuru, this morning.

Fourth visit of Special Cell sleuths. Diary yields more information; fresh set of questions posed to parents

Mysuru, Dec. 26 (BLU&BCT)- The Delhi Police Special Cell team which has been conducting inspections and interrogations of family members at the residence of D. Manoranjan, one of the prime accused in the brazen Dec. 13 Parliament security breach case, has not yet completed their investigations. The team first arrived at Manoranjan's house in Vijayanagar 2nd Stage on the morning of Dec. 18.

Manoranjan

The team returned to Manoranjan's house this morning for further inquiries and the family members are being questioned. This is the fourth visit of the team to Manoranjan's house. The team entered the residence, owned by Manoranjan's father Devarajegowda, around 9.15 am today and has remained inside since then. Comprising 2 Cops and 1 translator, the team is taking precautions to ensure effective communication, as Manoranjan's parents are not well-versed in Hindi or English. The ongoing investigations aim to gather crucial information. The team arrived at Manoranjan's residence on two-wheelers.

One more friend to be grilled?

Sources reveal that the investigative team, during their search of Manoranjan's room on the second floor of the house, has recovered a diary. Subsequently, they have formulated a new set of questions to pose to his parents. Simultaneously, a separate team is diligently cross-verifying the details found in the diary and has shared information with the team currently questioning the family members.

The recovered diary has reportedly provided insights into Manoranjan's association with his hairdresser, Soorappa. Huge financial transactions between them have been unearthed through a thorough examination of the bank account data.

(See POLICE on page 7)

Bridge toll collection at KRS Dam stretches into next year

Toll being collected from vehicles at the main entrance to the bridge on Santhemala-Aralimara Circle in KRS revenue village.

Mysuru/Srirangapatna, Dec. 26 (Vinay Karekura, RK, BS & BCT)- Tourists visiting the Krishna Raja Sagar (KRS) Dam in Srirangapatna Taluk of Mandya District will continue to be charged a toll for one more year to access the 650-metre bridge, as the Cauvery Neeravari Nigam Limited (CNNL) has not yet recovered the construction costs of the bridge.

The toll is applicable to all vehicles accessing the KRS Reservoir via the bridge, which was constructed in 2001 at an estimated cost of Rs. 18 crore. Despite the CNNL initiating toll collection since 2001, only Rs. 16.02 crore has been recovered thus far over the span of 22 years.

The persistent imposition of tolls, even two decades post-construction, has raised concerns among many tourists who assert that the CNNL is exploiting them under the guise of toll collection.

Speaking to *SOM* this morning, CNNL Assistant Executive Engineer Abu Farooq confirmed that tourists will be required to pay the toll for an additional year.

(See TOLL on page 6)

Toll charges, entry fee

- **CARS:** Rs. 50 (Rs. 100 including parking fee at Brindavan Gardens)
- **TEMPO TRAVELLER VANS:** Rs. 70 (Rs. 140 including parking fee at Brindavan Gardens)
- **AUTORICKSHAWS:** Rs. 20 (Rs. 50 including parking fee at Brindavan Gardens)
- **BUSES:** Rs. 100 (Rs. 200 including parking fee at Brindavan Gardens)
- **LORRIES:** Rs. 150 (Rs. 300 including parking fee at Brindavan Gardens)
- **ENTRY FEE FOR BRINDAVAN GARDENS:** Rs. 50 for adults and Rs. 10 for children (from 3 years to six years)

To Our Readers

Turn to Page-6 for Abracadabra titled "Time for young and old to contemplate on death." —Ed

In loving memory of
CHEMIRA
RADHA CHANGAPPA

Always in our mind and forever in our hearts

Remembering you always
Husband - Chemira Ramesh,
Daughter -Thanisha Changappa and Chemira Family,
Brother - Nayakanda Prakash & Family.

STAR OF MYSORE

"We believe comment is free, but facts are sacred."

Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Tuesday 26th December 2023

File Income-Tax Return before Dec.31 with late fee of Rs. 5,000

Mysuru, Dec. 26- With the insertion of Section 234F under Income-Tax Act, 1961, it is levied a fee for delay in filing the Income-Tax Return, called Belated Return, for the Assessment year 2023-24 (FY 2022-23).

Any person, who is earning salary, pension or any other income who have not filed their Income-Tax Return for the FY 2022-23 shall file by paying a fee of Rs. 5,000 on or before 31.12.2023. However, the fee payable is restricted to Rs.1,000 for small tax-payers whose total income is less than Rs. 5 lakh, which is arrived after allowing all deductions. On or after 1st January 2024, there shall be levied a late filing fee as additional tax and interest thereon.

Before filing the Income-Tax Return it is suggested to verify and report the transactions appearing in Annual Tax Statement (FORM 26AS), Annual Information Statement (AIS) and Taxpayer Information Summary (TIS) wherever applicable

For detailed information, reference may be made to the provisions of the Income-Tax Act, 1961, the Income-Tax Rules, 1962, relevant circulars and/or notifications, says N.D. Shreenivaas of Bhavani Associates, Mysuru.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

The ongoing indefinite strike called by guest lecturers has crippled academic activity in government degree colleges across the State. They are demanding regularisation of services and better work conditions and their strike has become an annual feature now, with every government promising to look into their grievances and then conveniently forgetting about them. The problem concerns not just the future of teachers but also the future of lakhs of students, and it is unfortunate that the opposition failed to hold the government to account on this matter at the recently concluded Legislature Session.

When the government made an attempt to regularise their services, it found that many of them did not meet the eligibility criteria. However, the Guest Lecturers' Association claims that at least 4,000 teachers have completed their Ph.D and passed the National Eligibility Test (NET). The Association has demanded that eligible teachers be absorbed immediately.

This is no doubt a Catch-22 situation because appointing ineligible or under-qualified teachers would affect the quality of education. At the same time, attention should also be given to the future of these teachers, many of whom have served for a decade or more, and cannot be employed elsewhere as they have crossed the age barrier. The government should explore if these teachers can be trained and regularised. Guest lecturers are meant to be hired on a stop-gap basis to temporarily fill regular vacancies.

However, in some cases, vacancies of regular teachers exceed 75%. Instead of filling up such vacancies, the government has taken the easy way out by appointing guest lecturers and continuing their services indefinitely, paying them meagre salaries. The government should immediately fill all vacancies both in degree colleges and post-graduate departments and resolve the problem without any further delay so that the future of students is not jeopardised. — In Deccan Herald

NEWS SPARKLERS

Lost dog found after 6 1/2 years living on her own

England: A dog, which had fled from her new home within 24 hours of being adopted was found in England after living on her own in the woods for more than 6 years.

Lost Dog Recovery UK South said team members were alerted to a stray dog in Crawley Down, West Sussex, in late November, so cameras were set up to investigate whether it was a loose canine or a pet that was allowed to roam free.

They discovered the dog was a black Patterdale Terrier and neighbors told the rescuers they had been feeding the stray dog for years. The dog was lured into a trap baited with chicken, and the rescue group was shocked to learn the canine had been reported missing 6 1/2 years earlier.

3.99 dollars vase auctioned for over 1,07,000 dollars

Virginia: A glass vase bought from a Goodwill store in Virginia for for 3.99 dollars was auctioned for over 1,07,000 dollars when it was found to be designed by Carlo Scarpa for famed Italian company Venini in 1942.

Jessica Vincent of Richmond, Va., said she and her partner were visiting their local Goodwill store, something they do multiple times a week, when the red and sea-foam green vase stood out to her.

Vincent bought the vase for $3.99 and took it home, where she took some photos of the vase and its writing and insignia to share online.

Members of her glassware Facebook group soon identified the piece as coming from Scarpa's "Pennellate" series, which he released while serving as the creative director of Venini.

HEALTH CAPSULE

Regular PAPSMEAR test (once in 3 years) is necessary for all women aged 21 to 65 years, who are sexually active. This test is for the detection of any precancerous condition in the mouth of the uterus(cervix) which is treatable.

By Dr. Amulya K.G. - Consultant – Obstetrics and Gynecology
Manipal Hospital, Mysore

manipalhospitals
LIFE'S ON

** Health Capsule is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature*

Power disruption tomorrow

Mysuru, Dec. 26- As Chamundeshwari Electricity Supply Corporation (CESC) has taken up its 3rd quarterly maintenance works at 66/11 KV RK Nagar Power Distribution Centre, there will be no power supply tomorrow between 10 am and 2 pm in the following areas:

Tonachikoppal, New Kantharaj Urs Road, Aravindnagar, Kuvempunagar, Aniketana Road, Paduvana Road, Saraswathipuram, Vishwamanava Double Road, Panchamantra Road, Vivekanandanagar, EWS Ganapathy Temple, Canara Bank, B.G.S Balajagath School, SBM Colony, Surya Layout, Nimishamba Layout, Kandayanagar, Kabini Layout, SMS School Layout, Hamsa Layout, Gagana Shekar Layout, Huli Narayanappa Layout, Bhavya Bharati Layout, MDCC Bank Employees Layout, T.K. Studio Layout, Kandaya Layout 2nd Stage, Tapovana, Annapurna Layout, Srirampura, Preethi Layout, DVG Layout, T.K. Ram Layout, Chidananda and Raksha Layout, RK Nagar K Block, Vasu Layout, MUDA Employees Layout, Madhava Park E and F Block, according to a press release from CESC Executive Engineer, VV Mohalla Division.

WATER LEVEL

KRS DAM	KABINI DAM	HARANGI DAM
Maximum **124.80 feet**	Maximum **2,284.00 feet**	Maximum **2,859.00 feet**
Today's level **96.90 feet**	Today's level **2,273.42 feet**	Today's level **2,830.46 feet**
Last year's level **119.46 feet**	Last year's level **2,271.03 feet**	Last year's level **2,827.68 feet**
Yesterday's level **96.90 feet**	Yesterday's level **2,273.45 feet**	Yesterday's level **2,830.41 feet**
Today's Inflow **974 cusecs**	Today's Inflow **180 cusecs**	Today's Inflow **154 cusecs**
Today's Outflow **875 cusecs**	Today's Outflow **300 cusecs**	Today's Outflow **100 cusecs**

REALLY...?

- *Cats can jump 5 times their own height.*
- *A housecat can run to the speed of about 30 mph over short distances. This means that a cat can outrun Usain Bolt in a 200 metre dash!*
- *Cats have a whopping 32 muscles in each of their ears, allowing them to swivel their ears to hone in on the exact source of a noise. Additionally, cats can rotate their ears to 180 degrees!*

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

Teacher: *Suhas, this NOTE from your father looks like your handwriting.*

Suhas: *Well, yes. He borrowed my pen!!*

TODAY'S CURRENCY RATE

1 US Dollar	= Rs. 83.16
1 UK Pound	= Rs. 105.63
1 UAE Dirham	= Rs. 22.64
1 Euro	= Rs. 91.67

VOICE OF THE READER

Denial of access to Brindavan Gardens for 'single' visitors

The notice board in front of the ticket counter states: 'single person prohibited' among others.

Sir,

Today when I visited Brindavan Gardens, located 12 kms from the city of Mysuru in Mandya district, I came to know that 'single' visitors are not permitted to enter the Gardens. Only couples or groups are allowed.

On enquiry, the Gate Guards told me that a few days ago two people tried to commit suicide at the water body inside the Gardens and so the Mandya Deputy Commissioner (DC) issued order to prohibit entry of 'single' visitors.

The DC's action is arbitrary and denial of civil rights to 'single' individuals. If somebody tried to commit suicide inside the Gardens, why 'single' visitors should be punished for that? Instead of providing better 'watch and ward' to the Gardens, the DC has denied access to the Brindavan Gardens to a section of the society. This action is highly condemnable.

—Vijayakumar S. Nair
Mysuru
23.12.2023

NOTE: *Too arbitrary an exercise of power which in any case is not going to be a solution to the problem. Alfred Hitchcock when asked for a cure for headache jokingly said, "cut off the head."*—**Ed**

National Sports Meet of Ekalavya Model Schools in city from Jan. 8

Chief Minister Siddaramaiah to inaugurate

Mysuru, Dec. 26 (MTY&DM)- Mysuru will host the 4th National-level Ekalavya Model Residential Schools Sports Meet from Jan. 8 to 12, 2024.

ST Communities Welfare Department Director B. Kallesh, who held a preliminary meeting in this regard at Dr. Babu Jagjivan Ram Bhavan on Valmiki road in Paduvarahalli here recently, said that the 5-day sports meet will be held at Chamundi Vihar Stadium and at Oval Grounds in city.

About 6,500 tribal students from 28 States of the country will be taking part in the meet, he said and sought the co-operation of all the concerned departments for ensuring the success of the event.

Chief Minister Siddaramaiah will be inaugurating the sports meet, he said.

AEST Deputy Commissioner Indira Mudgal, Office Superintendent Piyushnath, SC Welfare Department Planning Officer N. Muniraju, Department of Youth Empowerment and Sports Assistant Director Bhaskar Nayak, Kannada and Culture Department Deputy Director Sudarshan, CRISE Co-ordinator S.K. Mahadev, ST Welfare Department Taluk Officers Arun Prabhu, Narayanaswamy and Komala, Sports Trainers Ramaswamy, Vishwa, Ravindra, Sundaresh, Girish, Lokesh, Balu and others were present.

Art exhibition

Mysuru, Dec. 26- "Clay Canvas" Art Studio in city, founded by artist K.S. Subhash, is a vibrant space that invites individuals of all ages to partake in the magic of art with a focus on sculpture, pottery, clay modelling, ceramic glazing, painting and drawing.

It encourages each participant to bring their unique ideas to life, guided by Subhash, a Master's graduate from Chamarajendra Government College of Visual Arts (CAVA), Mysuru. Clay Canvas, located on Contour Road, Gokulam, is hosting an art exhibition featuring the works of CAVA students and is open from 10 am to 8.30 pm.

For details, email: *claycanvasmysuru@gmail.com* or call 72595-93104.

Five-day Niranthara Ranga Utsava held

No dearth of theatre activities in Mysuru: MLC Umashree

Actor-turned-MLC Umashree addressing the gathering in city yesterday as folk scholar Prof. H.S. Ramachandregowda and others look on. Picture right shows a scene from the play 'Na Rajaguru.'

Mysuru, Dec. 26 (SBD&BS)- Actor-turned-MLC and former Minister Umashree assured to draw the attention of Government, especially Kannada and Culture Minister, towards encouraging the field of theatre.

She was speaking during the valedictory of Niranthara Ranga Utsava, organised by Nirantara Foundation at Mini Theatre in Kalamandira here yesterday.

Being an artiste, Umashree said "It's painful to hear that the field of theatre, theatre persons and theatre troupes did not get due encouragement in the last five years. For theatre related activities to remain creative and active, the co-operation of Government is vital. We should encourage to strengthen them with funds to stay afloat. I will request Kannada and Culture Minister in this regard."

"When I was the Kannada and Culture Minister, the rent of all Rangamandiras (Theatre auditoriums) in the State was slashed in the range of Rs. 2,500 to Rs. 3,000 which remained the same for five years, till there was a change in situation for worse like earlier. The auditoriums are not built for making business, but to facilitate the staging of children's dramas and plays by repertories. The hike in rent will have a drastic effect on theatre-related activities," rued Umashree.

There is no dearth of theatre activities in Mysuru that is synonymous with culture, playing host to top writers, artistes and also repertories. The children should also be provided an opportunity to be a part of theatre, through which they will evolve as a social animal. They can emote their feelings without any inhibition. Hence the children should be encouraged to imbibe culture and the family of artistes having theatre background should focus on building next generation artistes, said Umashree in her call to the gathering.

Folk scholar Prof. H.S. Ramachandregowda said "The medium of art enjoys freedom and hence it is impossible to run behind the Government always. But still, the field of art needs encouragement by the Government and the elected representatives should focus on these lines."

MSIL-Bengaluru Marketing Manager Chandrappa, Suguna and Srinivas Palahalli of Nirantara were also present.

Artistes of Aatamata Theatre Troupe from Dharwad staged the play 'Na Rajaguru', marking the valedictory of five-day Niranthara Ranga Utsava. Laya Vadya was performed by artistes of Rythm Adda, with Srikanta Swamy on drums, Munna on guitar, Anush Shetty on tabla and Krishna Chaitanya on chande.

Trishikha releases e-Magazine "Vimshati"

FROM LEFT: ***CS Vijaya Rao, Chief Editor, e-Magazine, CS Krishne Gowda, Secretary, CS Nagendra D. Rao, Past President, ICSI, Trishikha Kumari Wadiyar (chief guest), CS B. Narasimhan (guest of honour), Vice-President, ICSI and CS Phani Datta, Chairman, seen releasing the e-Magazine.***

Mysuru, Dec. 26- The Institute of Company Secretaries of India (ICSI) Mysuru Chapter, recently celebrated two decades of continuous e-Magazine publication, a significant milestone in the realm of Corporate Governance and Secretarial Practices.

To celebrate the event, ICSI Mysuru Chapter had organised a two-day seminar on the theme "Governance Culture as a Transformative Driver of Sustainable Development Goals (SDG 2030)" on Dec.15 and 16.

The special edition of e-Magazine "Vimshati" was released by Trishikha Kumari Wadiyar and ICSI Vice- President CS B. Narasimhan at ICSI Mysuru Chapter premises on KRS Road in city.

Addressing the gathering, Trishikha Kumari said "Team efforts will always create the milestone" and appreciated the initiative on selecting the topic Sustainable Development Goals as the theme for the magazine as well as the seminar.

Stating that Mysuru has the culture of always inculcating the practice of sustainable development, she expressed her happiness that the tradition is still continuing.

Eminent speakers like CS Savitri Parekh, Company Secretary at Reliance Industries Limited, CS Kanchana Chitra, GM at IBS Software Services, Meena Raghunathan CSR, ESG Auditor and Panellists (Industry experts) Sumanth Prabhu, Dr. Mahesh Rao, Ramya Bopanna, CS H.M. Dattatri took part. CS Nagendra D. Rao, Past President of ICSI, Company Secretaries and students from different parts of India participated in the seminar. CS D.N. Phani Datta, Chairman of Mysuru Chapter, welcomed. CS C. Krishne Gowda, Secretary, proposed the vote of thanks.

NEWS BRIEFS

Free Health camp on Dec. 30

Marking the 14th death anniversary (Punyasmarane) of late actor Dr. Vishnuvardhan, a free health check-up camp has been organised under the joint aegis of Rotary, Bengaluru and Rotary, Mysuru at Vishnuvardhan Memorial Bhavan, Udbur Gate, Manandavadi Road, from 9 am to 4 pm on Dec. 30. The camp has been organised with support from Suyog Hospital, Narayana Hospital, Annapoorna Eye Hospital and Red Cross Blood Bank. Actress Bharathi Vishnuvardhan, the late actor's wife, actor Aniruddha and personalities from Rotary Club, will be present. For details, contact Mob: 94487-32869, according to a press release.

Fellowship

The Backward Classes Welfare Department has invited applications from full time Ph.D students from Categories 1, 2(a), 3(a) and 3(b), who are in their first year of research, for availing monthly Study Scholarship/ Fellowship. Candidates must be enrolled as full time research scholars in a recognised University. The last for submitting application is Jan. 10, 2024. For details, visit Department website: ***https://bcwd.karnataka.gov.in*** or contact Mob: 80507-70004, according to a press release issued by the Department.

Discourses

Sri Ramakrishna Ashram has organised the following discourses at its premises in Yadavagiri: Dec. 28 - Swami Jnanayogananda speaks on 'Srimad Bhagavad Gita'; Dec. 30 - Swami Ishtanathananda speaks on 'Atmabodha'; Dec. 31: Swami Sarvajayananda speaks on 'Sri Sri Ramakrishna Charite.'

Chinmaya Mission has organised a discourse on 'Srimad Bhagavata - 11th Skanda' by Krishna Rao Prakash at Yajnashale, Datta Sannidhi, Chinmaya Mission, Gokulam, on Dec. 28 at 6 pm.

Graduation Day

The 9th Graduation Day of Yuvaraja's College will be held at its Platinum Jubilee auditorium on Dec. 28 at 11 am. Prof. MRN Murthy, Professor of Molecular Biophysics, Indian Institute of Science, Bengaluru, will deliver the Graduation Day address. Prof. N.K. Lokanath, Vice-Chancellor, University of Mysore and Chairman of the Governing Body, Yuvaraja's College, Mysuru, will confer the degree on the graduates.

Sanketi Writers' State-level Conference concludes

16 books released at the first Literary Meet of the community

Mysuru, Dec. 26 (MTY,SBD &TRR)- On the concluding day of the 2-day first State-level Literary Meet of Sanketi Community writers, held at Nacharamma Bhavan in Jayanagar in city on Sunday, 16 books written by Sanketi writers were released by the guests.

At the Conference, organised under the aegis of Vishwa Sanketi Bharati Trust, Mathur, in association with Kaushika Sanketi Sangha, Mysuru, Bettadapura Sanketi Sangha, Mysuru, Sanketi Sangama Patrike, Hosahalli and Astika Vivardhini Sanketi Sangha, Lingadahalli, Conference Chairman Dr. K. Anantharamu, *Padma Shri* awardees R.N. Thyagarajan and R.N. Tharanathan (Rudrapatnam Brothers), Scholar Dr. B. Channakeshava, Trust President M.B. Bhanuprakash, Secretary Samskruti Subramanya, Hosahalli Nagaraju and others released the books.

The 16 books released included Dr. Anantaramu's 'Kannada Mateya Kanmanigalu,' Dr. K.S. Nagaraja's 'Moovattu Dingalalli Sanketi Kaliyiri,' Dr. M.C. Prakash's translation of book 'The Cultural Heritage of Rudrapattana' by R.S. Bhaskar Avadhani, Vidwan Dr. R.K. Padmanabha's 'Suvarnagaana', Book 'Sanketi Vyavahara Sahasri' edited by Dr. P.S. Satyanarayana, L.C. Anandamurthy, Vidushi Padma Divakara, Pandit Girish, Soumyashri and Sachin; S.G. Krishnamurthy's 'Nighantu Rasa Nimisha', N. Gurudatta's 'Sherlock Holmes Bhuvanganta,' Mattur Subbanna's 'Anshu Mattu Robo Sahasa,' Prof. Geeta Srivasan's 'O Henriya Ayda Sanna Kategalu,' Chilakunda Nagappa Shastry Nagashayana's 'Krishnayana,' Mattur T.N. Swamy's 'Shivaji Sahakari Balaji Avaji,' R.C. Anuradha's 'Kanchana,' Vasantha Nagaraj's 'Puttamakkaligagi Panchatantra,' some books of N. Gunduramaiah, Prema Prashant's 'Jenugudu' and Sitanandan's 'Luxury of Responsibility.'

Resolutions passed at the Conference

In every village of Sanketis, there is a Sri Ram Temple. The Conference wholeheartedly welcomed the installation of Sri Ram Lalla's idol at Ayodhya Ram Mandir in January, 2024. The contributions of our ancestors, who started Girl Student Hostels, Old Age Homes and who instituted scholarships, must be remembered with gratitude. Documentation of service activities done for the community, study of Sanketi villages and their field interview, and giving priority to literature.

The resolution also included that in the coming days, priority should be given to creative activities which introduce the achievements of Sanketis. Sanketi community and its organisations must be preserved and developed. Literary activities should be continued.

Achievers felicitated

Prior to the release of books, achievers from many fields were felicitated. Bengaluru's S.G. Krishnamurthy (literature), Lingadalli's L.C. Anandamurthy (journalism), *Padma Shri* awardee brothers R.N. Thyagarajan & R.N. Tharanathan (literature and music) and Dr. B. Channakeshava (literature) were felicitated at the concluding ceremony.

A seminar about children's literature, drama, music and Sanketi literature was held under Vidwan R.K. Padmanabha.

Dr. Jaikumar Rangappa, writer Mattur Subbanna, Mysore Fine Arts College Professor Dr. Meera Murthy presented their papers.

Vishwa Sanketi Bharati Trust Secretary Samskruti Subramanya spoke about Sanketi literature. Research Scholar Dr. B.S. Pranatartiharan delivered the valedictory address.

Trust President M.B. Bhanuprakash presented the resolutions of the Conference.

Inaugural Day

On Dec. 23, the Conference and a Book Exhibition were inaugurated by *Padma Bhushan* awardee and renowned Kannada writer Dr. S.L. Bhyrappa. Speaking on the occasion, he opined that writing in society's language Kannada helps in increasing the reach of our writings.

"Persons can talk in Sanketi language in a group. But you need Kannada while writing. It is only when we use the language of the society while writing, we would be able to reach more readers. Iyengars speak Tamil at their homes. But many of them have achieved in arts and literature, through Kannada. Compared to grammatical Kannada, our spoken Kannada is stronger. Since Sanketis know our spoken Kannada very well, it will help them in their writing. Sanketi couple writers M.S. Vijaya and Haran write very well in Kannada. They have also written a few books about me," said Dr. Bhyrappa.

Terming Sanketis as better Brahmins, he said that they discharge any work assigned to them efficiently. Sanketis used to stay away from the Government jobs and were never dependent on the Government for their welfare. Despite having a degree, they never bothered about employment unlike other Brahmins. They are confident people and can face any situation. They were engaged in agriculture as well as teaching Vedic lessons to their children. It is possible that some Sanketis are in the Government and private jobs now in the changed circumstances. But they are role models for Brahmin community," added Dr. Bhyrappa.

Senior Scholar Dr. Pradhan Gurudatta, who too spoke, said that Sanketi language is one of the Dravidian languages and it has no writing system. "I wish Sanketi language be enriched through Kannada language which is one of most enriched languages of India. Sanketi community people are doing yeomen service in Kannada literature, music, dance and other arts. They are a pride community of Karnataka," added Dr. Gurudatta.

Mysuru Sanketi Mahila Sangha presented the Sanketi song 'Sanketiga Namba.'

Prior to the inauguration, Conference Chairman Dr. K. Anantharamu was brought in a procession in sarot and given a Poornakumbha welcome along with Mangalavadya. MLA T.S. Srivatsa, Trust President M.B. Bhanuprakash, Koushika Sanketi Sangha President H.S. Anantapadmanabha and Bettadapura Sanketi Sangha President S.N. Annapoorna were present.

Litterateur Dr. S.L. Bhyrappa inaugurating the 2-day State-level Conference of Sanketi Writers at Nacharamma Bhavan in Jayanagar in city on Saturday as the Conference Chairman Dr. K. Anantharamu and others look on.

The first Sanketi Writers State-level Conference must help us to gain momentum in our literary activities. Literature is like a food for our thoughts and expressions. Literary growth helps the growth of a value-based society.

—Dr. K. Anantharamu, Chairman, 1st State-level Meet of Sanketi Writers

Cultural evening ends with a mix of dance, music at Palace Winter Flower Show

Vidwan Vidyabhushan seen rendering Dasa Keerthanas, accompanied by Vid. Vishwajit on violin, Vid. Mahesh Swamy on flute, Anirudh Bhat on mridanga and Vidwan Jagadish Kurthukoti on tabla, during the Winter Flower Show cultural programmes at Mysore Palace premises in city last evening. Picture right shows noted artiste Ganjifa Raghupathi Bhat recreating the sequences of epic Ramayana with a stroke of brush on the canvas to the tune of Vid. Vidyabhushan's Dasa Keerthana rendition.

Mysuru, Dec. 26 (MK&BS)- Curtains came down on the colourful cultural programmes organised as a part of ongoing Winter Flower Show at Palace premises, on Monday evening.

For four days, a mix of dance, music and painting exhibition attracted the visitors alongside the world of flowers. While the cultural programmes have concluded, the Winter Flower Show will be on till Dec. 31.

On the concluding day, the evening of cultural programmes unfolded with Bharatanatyam, followed by rendition of Dasa Keerthanas, popular songs in Kannada and also folk songs, striking a chord with music connoisseurs.

Vidushi Dr. Nagalakshmi Nagarajan and troupe from Champaka Academy performed Bharatanatyam dance on 'Devi Vaibhavam', followed by 'Sri Mahaganapathi,' 'Kanjadala Yatakshi,' 'Sri Chamundeshwari' composed by Mysore Vasudevacharya and 'Sri Maha Tripura Sundari' composed by erstwhile Maharaja of Mysore Jayachamaraja Wadiyar.

Vocalist Vidushi Chetana Nagaraj, accompanied by Vikram Bharadwaj on mridanga and Amogh on violin, presented a music concert.

Vidwan Vidyabhushan rendered Dasa Keerthanas setting a devotional mood, while noted artist Ganjifa Raghupathi Bhat recreated the sequences of epic Ramayana with a stroke of brush on the canvas. As 'Narayana Govinda Jaya', 'Sri Ram Jayaram' and other Dasa Keerthanas were rendered, Bhat painted the sequences of 'Rama-Ravana battle' and 'Heroics of Lakshmana and Hanumantha' in an attractive manner. Vidwan Vidyabhushan was accompanied by Vidwan Vishwajit on violin, Vidwan Mahesh Swamy on flute, Anirudh Bhat on mridanga and Vidwan Jagadish Kurthukoti on tabla.

Noted singer M.D. Pallavi mellifluously sang all time hit songs like — *Karunalu Baa Belake,* K.S. Nisar Ahmed's *'Jogada Siri Belakinalli', 'Kannadave Sathya, Kannadave Nithya'* and several other songs penned by noted Kannada poets.

Udupi Puttige Mutt Seer Sri Sugunendra Theertha Swamiji, who watched the cultural programmes, recalled the contributions of erstwhile Mysore Maharajas to the Mutt at Tirthahalli in Shivamogga district. Erstwhile Mysore Royal Family Member Pramoda Devi Wadiyar will be invited to 'Paryaya Poorva Parikrama Yatre' and the devotees from Mysuru should also be a part of the event, added Seer in his call to the gathering.

Junior Pontiff of Puttige Mutt Sushreendra Teertha Swamiji was also present.

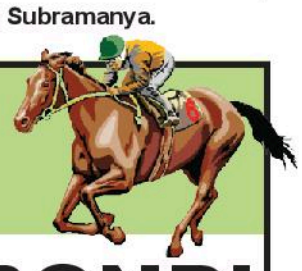
On account of Christmas vacation, people came in droves to flower show last evening. It is a sight to behold the beauty of flowers in the backdrop of illuminated Mysore Palace and the people were eager to capture the moments in their cell phone cameras. **Till date, about 3.5 lakh people have visited the flower show, said Deputy Director of Mysore Palace Board T.S. Subramanya. The flowers will be changed today and tomorrow (Dec. 27), as four lakh flowers of 35 different species are used for the flower show. A replica of UNESCO World Heritage Chennakeshava Temple, Somanathapura, alone needs 3.5 tonnes of flowers, added Subramanya.**

Sugama Sangeetha concert by singer M.D. Pallavi and troupe .

Udupi Puttige Mutt Seer Sri Sugunendra Theertha Swamiji being felicitated by Mysore Palace Board Deputy Director T.S. Subramanya at Palace premises last evening. Picture right shows Bharatanatyam dance on 'Devi Vaibhavam' by Vidu. Dr. Nagalakshmi Nagarajan and troupe from Champaka Academy.

MYSORE RACES 2023

(By Our Racing Correspondent)



'MYSTIC BOND' expected to win

Mysuru, Dec. 26- Following are the selections for the 5th day of Mysore Winter Races to be held here on Wednesday — Dec. 27, 2023:

1.	2.00 PM	**THE CHRISTMAS PLATE**	
		1100 mts. - rated 2 Years (TERMS)	
		1. AABUSHAN	*2. SHE'S UNSTOPPABLE*
2.	2.30 PM	**THE COMMON GROUNDS PLATE**	
		1800 mts. - rated 20 to 45	
		1. PERFECT EMPRESS	*2. ASTROLOGER*
3.	3.00 PM	**THE PLANTERS PLATE**	
		1600 mts. - rated 00 to 25	
		1. UNITY	*2. VANDAN*
4.	3.30 PM	**THE AVALANCHE STAR PLATE - DIV. II**	
		1200 mts. - rated 20 to 45	
		1. D. THIRTEEN TWELVE	*2. COPPER SUNRISE*
5.	4.00 PM	**THE VIDHATRI MOTORS CUP**	
		1400 mts. - rated 40 to 65	
		1. MYSTIC BOND	*2. TOM CRUISER*
6.	4.30 PM	**THE NAGARJUNASAGAR PLATE**	
		1400 mts. - rated 60 and above	
		1. GHYAMA	*2. IRON CLAD*
7.	5.00 PM	**THE AVALANCHE STAR PLATE - DIV. I**	
		1200 mts. - rated 20 to 45	
		1. SPIRITUAL FORCE	*2. MARCH TO VICTORY*

DAY'S BEST: *AABUSHAN*

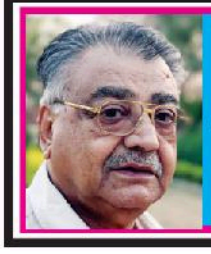
DOUBLE: *1. UNITY 2. MYSTIC BOND*

JACKPOT: *3, 4, 5, 6, 7* ***MINI JACKPOT:*** *4, 5, 6, 7*

I TREBLE: *2, 3, 4* ***II TREBLE:*** *5, 6, 7*

EXACTAS: *1 to 7*

—Tipster PGC



Abracadabra... Abracadabra...

By K.B. Ganapathy

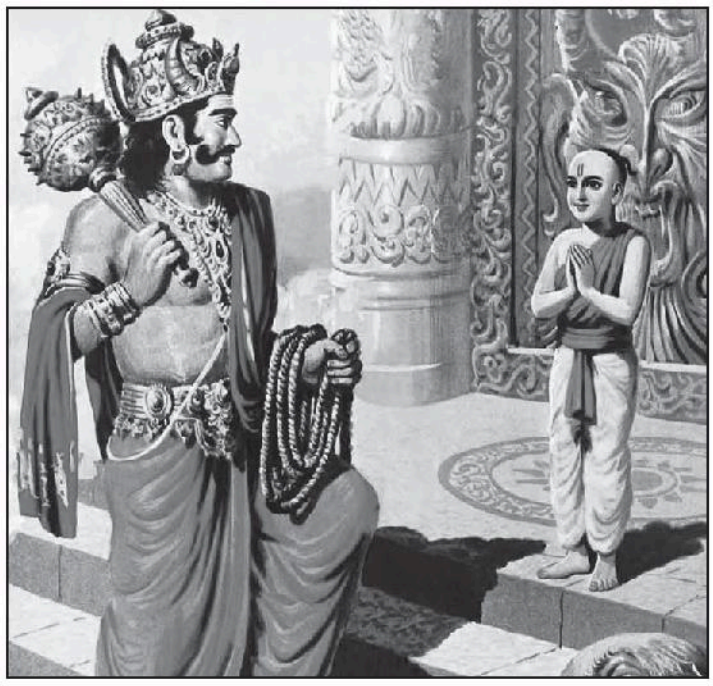
Time for young and old to contemplate on death

Newspaper reading has been my second nature of being alive, after breathing. During this month of December 2023, I have been reading in newspapers about the death of people who were young, too young to die. School-going children, college-going boys, young adults pursuing a profession. I am not thinking of those who died in accidents on roads or those who drowned in rivers, seas or pools. I am thinking of those who die these days rather prematurely due to, what doctors call, natural death — heart attack.

Karnataka and the film-world got its first paralysing shock about the ways death may come to a person, suddenly and stealthily, when our Kannada film world's popular hero Puneeth Rajkumar, a health freak and buff, gentle and always smiling, who loved all and also served the poor of his fans, passed away in the year 2021, at age 46. The cause: medically diagnosed as heart attack.

Reading this kind of premature natural death, I contemplate about its nature. Why and how of its occurrence. It is inscrutable. It has defied even the scientific and medical scrutiny. Here death comes like money that comes out of Any Time Money (ATM) — Automated Teller Machine (ATM). We can call this tragic phenomenon of early death as Any Time Death (ATD). Only difference is that while in the ATM money comes when the ATM card holder wishes to draw money; in case of death, it comes when the ATD card ironically gets auto-activated by God. Therefore, we continue to live by the decree of fate till we are stricken by this kind of phenomenon of death.

Some attribute such deaths to one's *Karma* which in the Hindu spiritual world is a Law like the Law of Gravity in the material world. Just as one cannot defy the Law of Gravity, one cannot defy the law of *Karma.* However, we despair at these premature natural deaths because they come without a presentiment of the coming horror.



Picture courtesy: Internet

Our experience tells us that we are not **sure** of our time on this earth and we should console ourselves with the wisdom of Socrates who said, *"We only know this, that we know nothing."* No matter what the Holy book or the scripture we read says.

In *Katha Upanishad,* there is an episode where one Vajashravasa gave all his possessions at a ritual sacrifice out of desire for Heaven. His intelligent son Nachiketa saw his father offering only useless cows that were too old to give milk and thought that such an offering would not help his father get to Heaven. So he offered himself saying, "Father, to whom will you give me?" He repeatedly asked thrice as his father was silent and then Vajashravasa answered in anger:

"I will give you to death."

And Nachiketa goes to death. But before going he tells this to his father, "Remember how the men of old passed away, and how those of now living, in days to come, will also pass away: a mortal human being ripens like corn and like corn is born again."

The rest of the episode where he confronts the God of Death, Yama, their dialogue, Nachiketa wanting to know the secret of death from the God of Death are not germane to my musings on the death of young here.

The question staring us in the face today is why the God of Death is not allowing the corn to ripen before it is harvested by the God of Death?

Anyone would agree that age 53 is not an age to die to a working person with good health. But he dies. How? Yesterday's newspaper carried the news:

Prof. Sameer Khandekar, age 53, collapsed and died while he was addressing the old students of IIT-Kanpur. The cause of death: heart attack. Curiously, the subject of the lecture was about keeping good health.

In another case, also reported yesterday, a boy of 23 years age, Jatin, hailing from Haryana and working in Bengaluru, died of heart attack on top of the highest peak in Kodagu, Thadiyandamol, while he was on a trekking expedition with five of his friends.

Again in another case from US, one Neel Nanda, the US-based Comedian of Indian origin, aged 32, died, though the cause of death and date were not revealed. And there could be such deaths like the detaching of corns before they are ripened.

John Donne, the english poet might have written the famous poem 'Death, Be Not Proud' but it is more of a solace to those whom the departed has left behind. The sting of death is a *fait accompli* and leaves those left behind in despair, in trauma, specially when they die young.

Now what about those who die at an age like well-ripened corn (to borrow the metaphor from *Katha Upanishad)?*

A few days ago I saw an advertisement in *The Hindu,* Chennai and it must give us the answer. Much as I would have loved to reproduce it here, I refrain. And that might be the way many would have liked their obituary announcement to be. The man died at age 103. A smiling face with holy ash mark across the forehead, with eyes twinkling, attired in saffron *jubba* over the torso, was looking at the reader directly in the eye.

The uniqueness of the text, of course, takes the cake, as they say. He was described in his many roles as a human being — son, husband, father, grand-father etc., etc., as he was called in their mother-tongue (Tamil here), mentioning his interest in art, literature etc., and ending with *sanyas*. But the creative genius of the writing, like an advertising copy writer, emerges in the text published here below, seeking the author's indulgence for any copyright violation:

"(He) enjoyed *vengayam sambhar, paruppu usilli, hot filter kappi, bajji, pakkoda, chocholates, badam halwa*, et al... with a twinkle in his eye, till the end. Lived well, ever ready to provide Chitragupta a detailed account of his purposeful life."

At the bottom of this advertisement, or rather the announcement, is the names of two persons who are not identified.

"Enter Heaven my most venerable soul," would be the refrain of Chitragupta, the keeper of dossier on new arrivals of souls from earth for the God of Death Yama. As for Nachiketa, he might still be listening to the 'Secret of Death' from Yama Dharmaraya beginning with *Atma,* the ties that bind this *Atma* (spirit), how to set this *Atma* free etc., etc., till one day he too reaches the age of 103. Did you get me Steve?

Om Shanti Shanti Shantihi

e-mail:
voice@starofmysore.com

Toll collection

(Continued from page 1)

"Since 2001, we have successfully recovered Rs. 16.02 crore and we anticipate collecting the remaining Rs. 1.98 crore by the end of 2024. Once the full recovery is achieved, we plan to submit a proposal to the Government," AEE Abu Farooq stated.

In 2001, a bridge was constructed below the KRS Dam, connecting Katteri Hosur Circle to Aralimara Circle in KRS revenue village. As it was decided to collect toll charges to recover the construction expenditure, the toll collection began at the main entrance to the bridge on the Santhemala-Aralimara Circle in KRS revenue village and a toll booth has been set up there.

CNNL has entrusted the responsibility of collecting the toll to KCIC. However, barring the period from 2004 to 2022, CNNL does not have any details related to the amount of tolls collected from 2001 to 2003. A total of Rs. 36.4 lakh was collected in the year 2004 alone and a total of Rs. 15.5 crore has been collected from 2004 till March 2022-23. Till now, CNNL has collected a toll of Rs. 16.02 crore.

Chaos, anarchy, traffic jam at KRS parking area

Malpractice alleged in ticketing at Brindavan Gardens

Mysuru, Dec. 26 (OSR)- A Bengaluru resident G. Madhava Rao has brought attention to the disconcerting state of affairs at KRS and Brindavan Gardens, describing his holiday visit as an unpleasant experience. In a letter to *SOM,* he has pointed out several issues that demand urgent attention from the authorities.

One major concern highlighted by Rao is the **absence of a proper parking system, leading to chaos at the popular tourist destination.** At the entrance, individuals are collecting Rs. 100 from visitors without issuing any receipts, raising questions about the transparency of these transactions, he said.

The ticket counter to the Garden is not exempt from malpractices either, as touts and black marketeers allegedly sell Rs. 50 ticket for an exorbitant Rs. 300. He has alleged the existence of a significant mafia gang involved in these activities in connivance with the Dam management.

In addition to the ticketing woes, Rao emphasises lack of proper maintenance of a small bridge leading towards the Garden. This neglect poses difficulties for school children who traverse the bridge regularly. Expressing concern over the overall state of affairs, he has urged the authorities to investigate and address these issues promptly.

Heavy footfalls boost year-end tourism

Flower Show: 3.5 lakh and Mysuru Zoo: 1.02 lakh visitors in three days; KRS Dam: 12,000 per day

Mysuru, Dec. 26 (RK&BCT)- Traditionally recognised for drawing tourists during Dasara and summer holidays, Mysuru has evolved into a popular year-end destination, a trend that has continued this year.

As of Christmas, all categories of hotels and resorts in Mysuru were fully booked, totalling 10,500 rooms, and now visitors have extended their stays until Jan. 2, 2024. The renowned Mysore Palace Winter Flower Show, inaugurated on Dec. 23, has witnessed a significant tourist influx, exceeding 3.5 lakh visitors.

Deputy Director of Mysore Palace Board T.S. Subramanya said that the floral displays will undergo changes today and tomorrow. The exhibition utilises four lakh flowers representing 35 different species. Notably, the replica of the UNESCO World Heritage Site Chennakeshava Temple in Somanathpura alone requires 3.5 tonnes of flowers.

Likewise, Krishna Raja Sagar (KRS) Dam has witnessed a robust footfall, with over 12,000 visitors per day. Cauvery Neeravari Nigama Limited (CNNL), responsible for managing the Dam and the Brindavan Gardens, has reported an average daily attendance of over 4,500 adults, 4,500 children and an equal number of school children on vacations.

Tourists predominantly flock to KRS after 3 pm, seeking respite in the cool breeze and immersing themselves in the captivating beauty of the recently refurbished musical fountains. Authorities anticipate this surge to continue until Jan. 3 or Jan. 4.

Meanwhile, the Executive Director of Sri Chamarajendra Zoological Gardens, renowned as Mysuru Zoo, provided data revealing a substantial influx of visitors. From Dec. 23 to Dec. 25, a total of 1,01,965 tourists explored the Zoo, spending an entire day amidst wildlife and rare species.

Comparatively, the number of Zoo visitors has experienced a notable increase from 77,833 visitors during the same period last year to 1,01,965 this year. On Dec. 23, 2022, total 16,682 visitors were recorded, rising to 25,860 this year. The Christmas Eve of 2022 witnessed 26,335 visitors, escalating to 40,761 on the corresponding day this year. Similarly, on Dec. 25, 2022, 34,796 visitors were registered, with a slight increase to 35,344 this year.

In addition to Mysuru's attractions, tourists frequently venture to nearby destinations, enriching their travel experience. Notable places include Srirangapatna, Melukote, Kere Thonnur in Pandavapura, Nanjangud, Bandipur, Nagarahole, Somnathapura, Talakad and Kodagu. For some, Mysuru serves as a strategic stopover on their journey to Nilgiris and Ooty.

The well-known guided city rounds via the double-decker bus 'Ambaari' have witnessed significant demand, particularly in the evenings. This reflects the enduring popularity and appeal of Mysuru and its surrounding areas as preferred year-end travel destinations.

CM launches registration for 'Yuva Nidhi' in Bengaluru

ADC Lokanath releases awareness posters; 20,500 eligible for monthly unemployment allowance in Mysuru

Additional Deputy Commissioner (ADC) R. Lokanath (centre) releasing the posters of Yuva Nidhi scheme at Deputy Commissioner's Office in Siddarthanagar in the city this morning as D.M. Rani, Assistant Director of Skill Development, Entrepreneurship and Livelihood Department, T.K. Harish Kumar, Assistant Director of Information and Public Relations Department, Mysuru and others look on.

Mysuru, Dec. 26 (BLU&BS)- Chief Minister Siddaramaiah launched the process of registration under 'Yuva Nidhi' scheme, at the Banquet Hall of Vidhana Soudha in Bengaluru this morning.

It is one of the five pre-poll promises announced by the Congress Government and fifth and the last of the promises to see the light of the day after the implementation of 'Shakt'i, 'Anna Bhagya', 'Gruha Jyothi' and 'Gruha Lakshmi' schemes.

Following this, Additional Deputy Commissioner of Mysuru R. Lokanath gave a call to the eligible persons to enrol their names for 'Yuva Nidhi' scheme, beginning from today and avail the benefit of monthly unemployment allowance.

Speaking after releasing 'Yuva Nidhi' posters at New Deputy Commissioner's office here this morning, along with ZP CEO K.M. Gayathri, Lokanath said the criterion to apply under the scheme is as follows:

Candidates should have completed their graduation or diploma in 2023 and should be unemployed for six months without working in any Government or private firms. They can apply through Seva Sindhu portal on- **https://sevasindhugs.karnataka.gov.in."**

Lokanath said, as per the data sourced from University of Mysore, there are 20,500 candidates eligible under the scheme in Mysuru district. Under the scheme, graduates are entitled for a monthly unemployment allowance of Rs. 3,000 and diploma holders Rs. 1,500.

Eligible candidates can apply for free at Karnataka One, Bangalore One, Grama One and Bapuji Seva Kendra or **Dial helpline- 18005999918.**

Rani, Assistant Director, Entrepreneurship and Livelihood Department and T.K. Harish Kumar, Assistant Director, Department of Information and Public Relations were present on the occasion.

Delhi Police back

(Continued from page 1)

According to sources, the team is now narrowing their focus on another individual, tentatively identified as Avinash, based on the notings in the diary. However, this association has not been officially confirmed yet. The ongoing investigations seem to be delving into various aspects, leveraging the information gleaned from the diary while the team is cross-verifying the details and continuing their stay in Mysuru.

CISF security

The Central Industrial Security Force (CISF) is likely to take over the comprehensive security of the Parliament building complex. The Ministry of Home Affairs issued a notification saying that the CISF will replace Delhi Police as the agency in charge, and will take over all responsibilities, including frisking entrants.

"Both the new and the old Parliament complex and their allied buildings will be brought under a comprehensive security cover of the CISF, which will also have the existing elements of Parliament Security Service (PSS), the Delhi Police and the Parliament Duty Group (PDG) of the CRPF," sources said.

According to sources, the CISF will render access control to the new and old Parliament complex in an airport security-like fashion where body-frisking of persons will be done through hand-held detectors and their belongings will be checked through X-ray machines. There will also be a provision to even scan shoes, heavy jackets and belts by putting them on a tray and passing them through the scanner.

Obituary

K.V. Thimmashetty

Mysuru, Dec. 26- K.V. Thimmashetty (81), a retired BSNL Divisional Engineer and a resident of Kumbarakoppal in city, passed away here on Monday.

He leaves behind his wife Sannamma, a son, a daughter and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were performed at Kumbarakoppal burial grounds this noon, according to family sources.

The Cosmic Dance

A mass-energy interpretation of *Karma* -3

[Continued from yesterday]

By S.G. Vombatkere

Samchita Karma: In the tenet, this is the **accumulation of an individual's *karma-s* of all previous births (*karma* accrued from previous lives) which** defines individual characteristics, aptitudes, tendencies and interests. **It is carried through the present existence into a subsequent existence.**

Vombatkere

From mass-energy flows, let us first consider the complex **mass-energy** flows and interactions in **space-time** spanning billions of years, which have resulted in physical outcomes at other points in space-time, with each such outcome representing its ancestor mass-energy flows, as explained above. **It is difficult to critically distinguish between *Prarabdha Karma* and *Samchita Karma,*** because establishing a connection between past and present mass-energy flows that are connected with the identity of the biological structure, cannot be readily substantiated.

Notwithstanding, a **new-born child is the biological outcome** of the **complex energy-mass flows** and interactions of its ancestral **space-time spectrum** of DNA transfer of genetic characteristics. These characteristics are carried forward by the infant into its lifetime, through its childhood, adolescence and adulthood. Some of them may be modified by the mass-energy flows which it initiates due to its own volition or otherwise and with which it interacts during its lifetime. These modified characteristics are transmitted to its progeny by reproductive processes and form a part of future mass-energy flows.

This analogy with *Samchita Karma* as tenet is necessarily inexact because **re-birth is a concept within the *karma* "model," which itself is not subject to normal cognition.**

Aagami Karma

In the tenet, this is the aggregate of choices and actions **from the point of birth in the present life,** which determine the future in the present lifetime, as well as in a subsequent lifetime.

At every point in time in life, the individual exercises choices and undertakes actions, which have a bearing upon and affect his/her remaining lifetime. **It recognises that a person's acts of commission or omission in the present life can influence one's future. Indeed, multiple cultures recognise the truth of the proverb "As you sow, so shall you reap."**

From mass-energy flows, since every **action is a flow of mass and energy,** it is influenced by its environmental flows of mass-energy — which are themselves the result of all predecessor mass-energy flows — and also affects its environment, as it merges, meshes or interacts with other ongoing flows. All choices and actions from birth to any point in an individual's lifetime, accumulate, forming a "status" of mass and energy at every changing instant. The manner in which the individual initiates or influences a mass-energy flow at any instant of time, determines both the immediate outcome and also the longer-term outcome.

> "Modern science explains much of the behaviour of matter and energy, but does not address the question of the origin of the mass-energy of the Big-bang..."

This is best demonstrated by a real-life example. I decide **(volition)** to go shopping (to satisfy need for provisions). I leave home **(action)** at a time of my choice and walk **(choice),** rather than use a transport. I need to cross a road. (I have arrived at the place of crossing at that point in time, as a result of my choices and actions up to that point in time). There is motor traffic **(mass-energy flows)** on the road. I need to make a choice concerning the instant at which I should step out to cross the road (action) and need to decide (volition) to walk across slowly or quickly, watching the (energy-mass) flow of traffic, to avoid accident. (More choices and actions, based upon the instantaneous "status" of traffic and actions according to the environmental flows).

A speeding vehicle slows down (changes mass-energy flow) on observing me crossing — **I have influenced that particular flow of mass and energy.** If I fail to observe a speeding vehicle (a miscalculation or act of omission) and choose to step out at a different instant, the mass-energy of the vehicle interacts with my body mass by striking it and a **different set of mass-energy flows take place** (injury, hospital, Police). If am careful, my shopping is successful. If I am careless, my future is influenced by my injuries (absence from work, loss of income, etc)... and my shopping is unsuccessful.

This demonstrates that at any instant in an individual's life, he/she may exercise discretion or choice, to adopt (or not adopt) a course of action and act (or not act) accordingly — acts of commission or omission.

Karma and modern science

The causal interpretation of the concept of *karma* **posits** (assumes) that it operates whether or not one believes that it does. It also posits the idea of volition of individuals, within the constraints of the instantaneous circumstance that they find themselves in and of which they are at least partially the cause — a circumstance that presents itself due to their *karma* up to that point in space-time.

Modern science is a continuous endeavour to understand the **structure of the universe** — including **forms of natural life** — and how it works. The scientific method is the practical and systematic study of the physical and natural world, by observation, experiment and documentation. It is a process of hypothesizing and theorizing, by reasoned questioning and proving. **To aver that *karma* is a Law, like the Law of Gravity (a force of which one feels the effects, and is always subject to, whether one is conscious of it or not, whether one believes in it or not), is to try to interpret a philosophical concept with the experimental tools of modern science.**

Hindus believe that *karma* is a force generated by an **individual's actions, having consequences.** *Karma* may be also viewed as an experiential model, which explains the **imponderables of birth,** the **joys and travails of life** and the **circumstances of death,** which we observe and experience, in relation to actions, events and happenings around us, whether or not we are personally involved in them. ***Karma* cannot be verified or replicated by a laboratory experiment.**

It is axiomatic and reasonable to believe that every action in space-time has an effect, result or outcome, whether immediate or delayed, small or big, perceived or not, in space-time. This cause-effect axiom applies to the mass-energy flows in the foregoing discussion and assumes a primeval or 'original' source of **energy and mass,** in the **space-time universe.** The cause-effect axiom is embedded in the **concept of *karma,* including the concept of re-birth.**

The existence of an "original" source of mass and energy is also a necessary **assumption** of modern science in the context of the mass-energy structure of the observed space-time universe.

The origin of the universe has been raised to the status of theory — incorporating all laws, facts, inferences and tested hypotheses — as a **"Big-bang" of mass-energy at the beginning of space-time. Modern science explains much of the behaviour of matter and energy, but does not address the questions of the origin of the mass-energy of the Big-bang and what is the purpose and meaning, if any, of the observed universe.**

> "At every point in time in life, the individual exercises choices and undertakes actions, which have a bearing upon and affect his / her remaining lifetime."

> "The causal interpretation of concept of *karma* **posits** (assumes) that it operates whether or not one believes that it does."

Karma cannot be proved to be a "scientific" concept within our present scientific understanding of space-time. However, the model of *karma* including its re-birth hypothesis, arguably remains as valid as the Astrophysicist's model of the Big-bang.

REFERENCES: ***1.*** *S.G. Vombatkere; "The Entropic 'Dance' of Mass and Energy"; The Indian Social Science Academy, Social Science Abstracts, 2022, Vol.45, pp.150-158.*

2. *S.G. Vombatkere; "The Moral compass of Hindu Universalism: A Layperson's view of Spirituality & Religion in a contemporary context"; <Insight 19-1 Online.indb>; Interreligious Insight; Volume 19, No.1; June 2021, pp.68-71.*

3. *Ananda Coomaraswamy; "The Dance of Shiva – Fourteen Essays By Ananda Coomaraswamy", Rupa Publications India Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi-110002; 2013; pp.61-62.*

4. *Fritjof Capra; "The Tao of Physics." <https://www.fritjofcapra.net/shivas-cosmic-dance-at-cern/#:~:text=It%20is%20indeed%20as%20Capra,patterns%20of%20the%20cosmic%20dance>.*

5. *Ibid.*

NOTE 1. *'Causality' is the influence by which one event, process, state or object contributes to the production of another event, process, state or object, where the cause is partly responsible for the effect, and the effect is partly dependent on the cause.*

ABOUT THE AUTHOR: *S.G. Vombatkere was commissioned into the Indian Army Corps of Engineers in 1962 and retired from military service in 1996 in the rank of Major General. President of India awarded him Visishta Seva Medal (VSM) in 1993 for distinguished military service in the field.*

His present area of interest is strategic and development-related issues. He holds a Ph.D in Civil Engineering (Structural Dynamics) from the Indian Institute of Technology, Madras. He is Fellow of The Institution of Engineers (India), Fellow of The Indian Social Science Academy, and was Adjunct Associate Professor of the University of Iowa, USA, in International Studies.

[This article was first published in Interreligious Insights; Volume 20 No.1, June 2022; pp. 66-75]

e-mail: sg9kere@live.com

[Concluded]

Sri Ram Lalla's idol installation at Ayodhya Sri Ram Mandir on Jan. 22, 2024

MLA urges people to take part in Special Satsang and Bhajan programmes in city

Mysuru, Dec. 26 (SPN&TRR)- "In the wake of installation of Sri Ram Lalla's idol (Prana Pratishtapane) at Ayodhya Ram Mandir on Jan. 22, the sacred 'Mantrakshathe,' letters of appeal and photos of Sri Ram, received from Ayodhya, will be distributed to every household from Jan. 1 to 15, 2024" said Krishnaraja (KR) MLA T.S. Srivatsa.

He was speaking after flagging off a procession of Akhand Bhajan organised in connection with the installation of Ram Lalla's Idol at Ayodhya Sri Ram Mandir and also to give fillip to the distribution of sacred 'Mantrakshathe' to every household of the city, at Sri Shivarathri Rajendra Swami Circle in the city yesterday.

"On Jan. 22, 2024, special Satsang and Bhajan programmes will be held during the period of Sri Ram Lalla's idol installation at Ayodhya Sri Ram Mandir. I request the citizens of Mysuru and surrounding areas to participate in this Satsang programme. They can also watch the live programme of the holy event at Ayodhya here on LED screens," added MLA Srivatsa.

He also appealed the people to lit at least 5 lamps in front of their house after sun set on Jan. 22 and participate in the Deepotsava as planned by the Ayodhya Sri Ram Mandir Trust, across the nation. After a movement and struggle of about hundred years, the installation of Sri Ram Lalla's idol at the magnificent temple at Ayodhya is an answer to the prayers to crores of Hindus, concluded the MLA.

BJP leaders Jogi Manju, M.N.Giridhar and many others were present.

More than 200 devotees participated in the Akhand Bhajan programme. Sri Ram devotees went in a Sankeertana procession from Sri Shivarathri Rajendra Swami Circle, passed through Ramanuja Road and continued their Bhajans at Rajendra function hall, near JSS Hospital on Ramanuja Road in city.

'Mantrakshathe' distribution launched

15 teams to distribute them to every household from Jan. 1 to 15

Mysuru, Dec. 26 (PM&TRR)- Sri Ram Janmabhoomi Trust, in association with various pro-Hindu organisations, launched distribution of the sacred 'Mantrakshathe' brought from Ram Janmabhoomi at a function held in front of Kote Anjayneyaswamy Temple premises in the city recently.

Photos of Sri Ram and sacred 'Mantrakshathe' were distributed to 15 teams of the city comprising people from all regions of the city.

Teams from Vidyaranyapuram, J.P. Nagar, Jayapura, Kuvempunagar, Ganeshnagar, Sarswathipuram, Vijayanagar, Yelwal, Gokulam, Tilaknagar, Rajendranagar, Kyathamaranahalli, Siddarthanagar, Varuna and Lakshmipuram were given photos of Sri Ram and 'Mantrakshathe.' These teams will keep them at important temples of their region and distribute them to every household from Jan. 1 to 15, 2024 in a special campaign.

Speaking to media on the occasion, Vishwa Hindu Parishad (VHP) Karnataka South Region Secretary Jagannatha Shastry said that on Jan. 22, 2024, the idol of Sri Ram Lalla is being installed at Ayodhya and as a prelude to this event, the Trust is undertaking a campaign to distribute the sacred 'Mantrakshathe' and photo of Sri Ram to every Hindu residing in every corner of the country.

"The 'Mantrakshathe' distributing teams will also convey a message that on Jan. 22, the day of Sri Ram Lalla's installation at Ayodhya, a special puja will be performed at all temples of the country including Mysuru and in the evening at least 5 lamps in every household must be lit. Crores of lamps will be lit on the country's historic day," he added.

MLA T.S. Srivatsa, Dharma Jagaran Vedike Mysuru Region Coordinator Radhakrishna, former Corporator M.V. Ramprasad, BJP leaders H.G. Giridhar, Jogi Manju, Sri Ram Mandir Abhiyan's Mysuru Convenor Madhushankar, District Committee Member S.L. Anand, Co-ordinator Nagaraju, City RSS Secretary V. Prashanth and Vikram Iyengar were present.

Raghu Kautilya appeals total co-operation from BJP leaders

Newly appointed State BJP OBC Morcha President Raghu Kautilya and State BJP Vice-President M. Rajendra being felicitated at the BJP Office in Chamarajapuram, Mysuru, on Monday. Former Mayor Shivakumar, former Deputy Mayor Dr. G. Roopa, former MUDA Chairman Yashaswi Somashekar, former ZAK Chairman M. Shivakumar and other party leaders are also seen.

Mysuru, Dec. 26 (BLU&DM)- In his first media briefing after being appointed as the new President of State BJP OBC Morcha Wing, senior BJP leader Raghu R. Kautilya, who is also former Chairman of Karnataka Exhibition Authority (KEA), has thanked party veteran and former Chief Minister B.S. Yediyurappa (BSY), Prime Minister Narendra Modi and other National and State leaders for giving him such a big responsibility.

Addressing press persons at the BJP Office in Chamarajapuram here on Monday, Raghu Kautilya said that Shikaripur MLA B.Y. Vijayendra, son of BSY, has been appointed as the new State BJP Chief in order to bring about vigour among the party rank and file.

Pointing out that he has been appointed as the State OBC Morcha Wing President, Anil Thomas as State Minorities Wing President, while M. Rajendra has continued to be the State Vice-President, Raghu said that with this important appointments, Mysuru region has got a big opportunity to organise the party at the grassroots level.

Launching a tirade against the ruling Congress in the State, Raghu termed the Siddaramaiah Government as anti-farmer as it has done little for the farmers since the past seven months.

Charging the Congress Government of corruption and inactivity, he said that the Government seems to be more interested in freebies with the sole purpose of consolidating its vote bank.

Accusing the Siddaramaiah Government of exploiting the backward communities for its selfish ends, he alleged that the Government had failed in reaching out due benefits and facilities under various schemes to the backward communities and has also miserably failed in empowering them.

Stating that as many as 800 sub-castes and sub-sects of marginalised and most backward communities are yet to get power even in Gram Panchayats, he maintained that it is only BSY who gave political strength to OBCs.

Now PM Modi has launched Vishwakarma Scheme which is aimed at empowering neglected and marginalised communities across the country, he said and sought support of party leaders for making the party stronger ahead of forthcoming LS polls.

Raghu Kautilya and M. Rajendra were felicitated on the occasion. Also, floral tributes were offered to the portrait of former PM Atal Behari Vajpayee on his birth anniversary on Dec. 25.

Former Mayor Shivakumar, former Dy. Mayor Dr. G. Roopa, former MUDA Chairman Yashasvi Somashekar, former ZAK Chairman M. Shivakumar and Party Spokespersons Mahesh Raje Urs & Mahesh were present.

Srinivas Poojary appointed as Legislative Council Opposition Leader

Bengaluru, Dec. 26 (KMS&DM)- Filling up the key posts vacancy in the State Legislature, the BJP top brass on Monday appointed former Minister **Kota Srinivas Poojary** as the Opposition Leader in the Legislative Council. The post was vacant for the past eight months and this is the third time that Poojary is occupying the post. He had earlier served in the post when Siddaramaiah and H.D. Kumaraswamy were the Chief Ministers.

In other key appointments, Sunil Vallyapure of Kalaburagi district has been appointed as the Deputy Leader of the Opposition in the Legislative Council, while Hubballi-Dharwad (West) MLA Aravind Bellad has been named as the Deputy Opposition Leader in the Legislative Assembly, Kushtagi MLA Doddanagouda Patil as the Opposition Chief Whip in the Assembly and MLC N. Ravikumar as the Chief Whip of the Opposition in the Legislative Council.

N.Ravikumar, who belongs to the Backward Koli Samaja(-Gangamatha), was earlier the BJP State General Secretary.

WORD OF THE DAY

Raconteur

Pronunciation: ra-kahn-TER.
Meaning: A raconteur is someone who excels in telling anecdotes.
Origin: If you're a sage of sagas, a bard of ballads, or a pro in prose, you may have lost count of the accounts you've recounted. Some might call you a recounter, but as a master of narrative form you may find that recounter lacks a certain je ne sais quoi. Sure, it has a cool story—it traces back to the Latin verb computere, meaning "to count"—but so do many words: compute and computer, count and account, and neither last nor least, raconteur, a singsong title better fit for a whimsical storyteller. English speakers borrowed raconteur from French in the early 19th century.
Example: "He [filmmaker and author Kenneth Anger] lit and shot and cut images so that no matter how beautiful each was on its own, you had to ingest the totality like a potion and let it do its work if you wanted to get anything out of it. Most viewers weren't interested in his kind of visual poetry, recognizing him mainly as a raconteur." — Matt Zoller Seitz, Vulture, 27 May 2023.

THE ODD WORD

Radicolous

Living on roots.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

Riff-raff

Meaning: A group of disreputable people of low social position; the dregs of society.
Origin: Any glance at any online bulletin board or newspaper letters column makes it pretty obvious that people love to call each other names. This is hardly a recent development; the number of slang synonyms for 'stupid' are legion: thick, dumb, daft, brain-dead, etc, and the number of colloquial phrases where these are used as insults is even longer. It includes hundreds of 'you are stupid' expressions, starting with 'a bear of little brain' all the way to 'two sandwiches short of a picnic'. In researching the origins of 'riff-raff' it has become clear that there are just as many disparaging words to describe people at the bottom of the social heap and that a large number of these are linguistically associated with the term 'riff-raff'. W've opted for the most common current 'riff-raff' spelling here, but the credentials of the term as a long-standing spoken insult is hinted at by the no less than 18 alternative spellings listed in the OED - no small achievement for so short an expression: ryf raf, rif raf, rif-raf, rifraf; rifraff, rifraffe, rife-rafe, ryffe raffe, rifferaffe, riffe-raffe, riffe raffe, riffe ruffe, riffraffe, riff-raffe, riff raff, riff-raff, riffraff...

QUOTE BOX

Darkness cannot drive out darkness: only light can do that. Hate cannot drive out hate: only love can do that. **—Martin Luther King Jr.**

RIDDLE THIS

Solve the rebus:

THE
WHETHER

Answer: Under the weather.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:

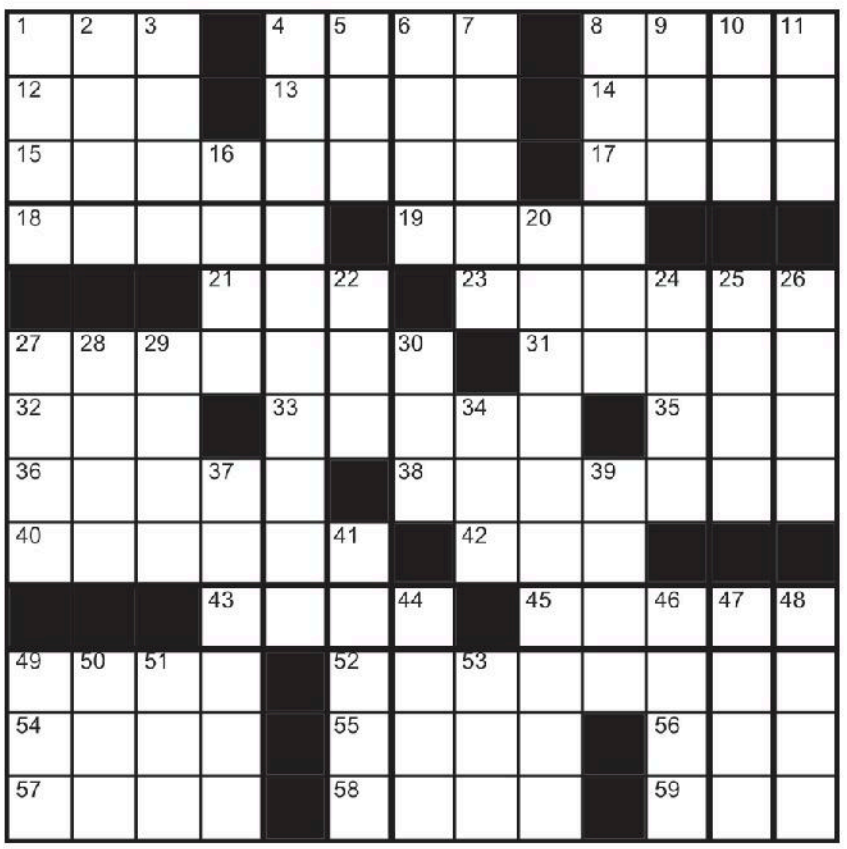
1 Puzzle solver's cry
4 Bard of Avon, abbr.
8 Far as a prefix
12 An old horse
13 Ballet dancer's skirt
14 To _ ___ : everybody? (1,3)
15 Judgement seat
17 Tears off
18 Reel or bobbin
19 Stopper
21 Took food
23 Discomfiture
27 One of the archangels
31 Aquatic beast
32 Record company ___ Victor
33 Former French coin
35 Pray for us - ___ pro nobis ?
36 Stradivari's mentor
38 Suits; is suitable?
40 Conviction
42 Yes for the Parisian
43 Russian ruler
45 Tartan cloth
49 Aircraft Owners and Pilots Assoc.
52 Causing dissension
54 Subsequently
55 Fencing sword
56 A small blob or smear on a surface
57 Electric current units
58 "Retired" in short ?
59 Small social insect

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

		P	A	C			C	O	N			
	P	A	T	H	S		O	P	E	N	S	
D	I	S	T	I	L		A	E	R	I	E	
I	T	H	A	C	A		C	R	O	T	C	H
P	Y	A		A	L	O	H	A		W	E	E
			I	G	O	R			S	I	D	E
	A	C	C	O	M	M	O	D	A	T	E	
F	U	R	Y			E	A	R	P			
A	D	E		C	O	R	F	U		N	A	N
R	I	C	H	E	S		I	M	P	A	C	T
	T	H	E	T	A		S	M	O	O	T	H
	S	E	R	U	M		H	E	L	M	S	
			O	S	A			R	O	I		

DOWN

1 Emmets
2 Stringed instrument
3 Exchange fee
4 Renders foolish or unable to act intelligently
5 Attila for one?
6 Nipa palm
7 Himachal Pradesh's ___ Valley
8 Objective
9 MGM rival
10 Track circuit
11 Abstract being?
16 A wild pig
20 Vacant
22 'Ever' for the poet
24 Tiny particle
25 Withered like a leaf
26 Noted times
27 Snatch or seize
28 Culminating point
29 A false biblical god
30 Chemist's workroom in short
34 New as a prefix
37 IPL side Gujarat ___
39 Works of art
41 Volume control
44 When fruit is this it should be picked
46 Verdi opera
47 Terrible Russian
48 Money owed
49 One __ __ time (singly) ? (2,1)
50 Resistance unit
51 Footballmanager__Guardiola
53 Screen, make careful and critical examination



SUDOKU

					4			3
3				9		7		
	2	8					4	
1					9		8	
		7	2		6	5		
	8		4					2
	4					1	2	
		3		4				5
5			6					

Answer to previous puzzle

7	5	3	6	9	8	1	2	4
1	2	6	3	4	5	7	8	9
4	9	8	2	1	7	5	3	6
2	1	4	5	7	6	3	9	8
5	8	7	4	3	9	6	1	2
3	6	9	8	2	1	4	7	5
8	3	2	7	6	4	9	5	1
6	7	1	9	5	2	8	4	3
9	4	5	1	8	3	2	6	7

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

IHCY AXIHFK SHX LIHLJ. NAE BQCC LCBLNK KXLWJ

XLCCHF BQXI KADHAWH HCKH AW NAEF KIAECJHFK.

TODAY'S CLUE: E EQUALS U

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: Fine art is that in which the hand, the head, and the heart of man go together.

MOVIE LOVERS

NOW SHOWING - SINGLE SCREEN THEATRES

- **Woodlands Theatre** — **Ph: 2422871**
  Salaar: Cease Fire - Part 1 (K) - 4 Shows
- **Gayathri Theatre** — **Ph: 2443568**
  Salaar: Cease Fire - Part 1 (Te) - 4 Shows
- **Mahadeshwara Theatre** — **Mob: 99008-20093**
  Salaar: Cease Fire - Part 1 (Te) - 4 Shows
- **Thibbadevi Theatre** — **Ph: 2452958**
  Salaar: Cease Fire - Part 1 (H) - 4 Shows
- **Rajkamal Theatre** — **Ph: 2423554**
  Aquaman & The Lost Kingdom (E) - 4 Shows
- **Sangam Theatre** — **Ph: 2520494**
  Dunki (H) - 4 Shows
- **Padma Theatre** — **Ph: 2521923**
  Dunki (H) - 4 Shows
- **Balaji Theatre** — **Ph: 2497199**
  Dunki (H) - 4 Shows
- **Lido Theatre** — **Ph: 2420885**
  Kaiva (K) - 4 Shows
- **Prabha Theatre** — **Mob: 98454-14691**
  Bad Manners (K) - 4 Shows

DRC CINEMAS — Ph: 4240422, 4241800

Salaar Cease Fire - Part 1 (Te)	(S-1)	9.15 am, 3.50 pm, 10.20 pm
	(S-3)	7.00 am
	(S-4)	7.15 am, 12.30 pm, 7 pm
Salaar Cease Fire - Part 1 (K)	(S-2)	9 am, 6.50 pm
	(S-3)	9.55 pm
Dunki (H)	(S-1)	12.50 pm, 7.15 pm
	(S-3)	10.30 am
	(S-4)	3.55 pm, 10.25 pm
Animal (H)	(S-2)	12.20 pm
Sam Bahadur (H)	(S-2)	4.05 pm
Neru (Ma)	(S-2)	10.15 pm
Aquaman & The Lost Kingdom (E-3D)	(S-3)	1.45 pm, 4.30 pm, 7.15 pm

MYSURU VISION CINEMAS — Ph: 0821 - 2973519

Dunki (H)	:	10.05 am, 1.10 pm, 3.35 pm, 6.40 pm, 9.55 pm
Salaar: Cease Fire - Part 1 (Te)	:	10.25 am, 4.15 pm, 6.10 pm, 9.30 pm
Salaar: Cease Fire - Part 1 (K)	:	1.45 pm, 5.00 pm
Aquaman & The Lost Kingdom (E-3D)	:	1.00 pm, 7.30 pm, 9.45 pm
Kaiva (K)	:	1.30 pm

PVR CINEMAS — 4K Dolby 7.1

Nexus Centre City Mall, 2nd Floor. Mob: 8951357139

Salaar: Cease fire - Part 1 (Te)	:	7.10 am, 8.10 am, 10.45 am, 11.45 am, 12.20 pm, 2.20 pm, 3.20 pm, 6.55 pm, 9.30 pm, 10.30 pm
Salaar: Cease fire - Part 1 (K)	:	8.05 am, 11.15 am, 3.00 pm, 6.25 pm
Salaar: Cease fire - Part 1 (H)	:	2.50 pm, 5.55 pm, 10.00 pm
Salaar: Cease fire - Part 1 (Ma)	:	6.35 pm
Dunki (H)	:	9 am, 11.40 am, 12.20 pm, 3.40 pm, 6.40 pm, 7, 10.20 pm
Aquaman & The Lost Kingdom (E-3D)	:	9.35 am, 3.55 pm, 10.00 pm
Neru (Ma)	:	10.10 pm

1st Floor, Garuda Mall. Mob: 9901373210

Salaar: Cease Fire - Part 1 (Te)	:	7.10 am, 8.10 am, 10.45 am, 11.45 am, 2.20 pm, 3.20 pm, 6.55 pm, 9.30 pm, 10.30 pm
Salaar: Cease Fire - Part 1 (K)	:	9.05 am, 3.25 pm
Salaar: Cease Fire - Part 1 (H)	:	5.55 pm
Dunki (H)	:	8.30 am, 11.50 am, 3.10 pm, 6.30 pm, 9.45 pm, 9.50 pm
Aquaman & The Lost Kingdom (E-3D)	:	12.40 pm, 7.00 pm

INOX LIVE the MOVIE

Mall of Mysore - Mob: 7829999465

Dunki (H)	(S-1)	12.20 pm, 3.40 pm, 7.00 pm, 10.20 pm
Salar: Cease Fire - Part 1 (Te)	(S-3)	11.15 am, 2.50 pm, 6.25 pm, 10.00 pm
Salar: Cease Fire - Part 1 (H)	(S-4)	3.20 pm
Salar: Cease Fire - Part 1 (K)	(S-2)	10.45 am, 2.20 pm, 5.55 pm, 9.30 pm
	(S-4)	6.55 pm
Aquaman & The Lost Kingdom (E-3D)	(S-4)	12.35 pm, 10.30 pm

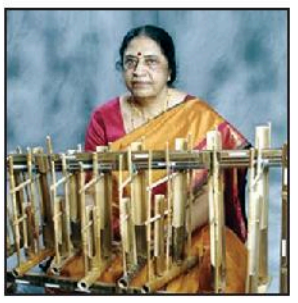
INOX Centro Mysore - Mob: 9606976757

Salaar: Cease Fire - Part 1 (Te)	:	6.55 am, 7.40 am, 10.05 am, 11.15 am, 2.50, 6.25 pm, 10 pm
Salaar: Cease Fire - Part 1 (K)	:	10.30 am
Salaar: Cease Fire - Part 1 (H)	:	5.40 pm
Dunki (H)	:	8.30 am, 11.50 am, 3.10 pm, 4.25 pm, 6.30 pm, 9.50 pm, 10:30 pm
Aquaman & The Lost Kingdom (E-3D)	:	1.40 pm, 7.45 pm
Neru (Ma)	:	9.15 pm

NOTE: Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there are no minimum audience of 15.

EVENTS TODAY (DEC. 26)

- **Mysore Palace Board:** Winter Flower Show, Palace premises, **up to 9 pm;** Palace illumination, **7 pm to 9 pm.**
- **Sri Rama Mandira, Jayanagar:** Sri Vaikunta Ekadashi celebrations, display of replica of Sri Ayodhya Rama Mandira, **up to 11 pm.**
- **Sri Shivarathreeshwara Mahila Samaja:** Dr. Sri Shivarathri Rajendra Swamiji's 108th Jayanti Mahotsava, former MLC Thontadarya inaugurates, retd. Kannada Professor Dr. H.T. Shylaja and Kannada Sahitya Kalakoota President M. Chandrashekar, Media Academy Award recipient Dr. MGR Urs distributes prizes, Sri Shivarathreeshwara Mahila Samaja President Chutuku Siri Dr. Ratna Halappagowda presides, Vachana Gayana by Shivakatha Prapoorne V. Malini, Sri Shivarathreeshwara Mahila Samaja, JSS Women's College Hostel, 2nd Main Road, Swimming Pool Road, Saraswathipuram, **4 pm.**
- **Sri Lakshminarasimha Swamy Temple, Sri Yadugiri Yathiraja Mutt:** Dhanurmasa Puja, darshan timings, Temple premises, Sri Yadugiri Yathiraja Mutt, Kalidasa Road, V.V. Mohalla, **4.30 pm to 7.30 pm.**
- **Dixit Arogya Dhama, Mysuru:** Devotional songs by Vidu. Dr. Deepa Shekar, accompanied by Vidu. S.A. Divyashree on violin and Vid. Raghunandan Rao on mridanga; Lecture on 'Brahmi Muhurtha Uttishthet' by Dixit Arogya Dhama Director Dr. C.S. Anil Kumar, #12, Main Road, C Block, Vijayanagar 3rd Stage, **6 pm.**
- **Assertive Hindu:** Conclave to articulate the performances of the Government in the last decade and to understand the manifestations Modi has made possible to a large population, Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha, JLB Road, **6 pm.**
- **Ganabharathi:** Vocal concert by Vid. Sudha Manjunath, accompanied by Vid. Thyagarajan on violin and Vid. V.S. Ramesh on mridanga, Ganabharathi, Kuvempunagar, **6 pm.**
- **Suttur Mutt, Mysuru:** Monthly Moonlight Music Programme, Special Angklung (an Indonesian bamboo instrument) Concert by **Dr. H.S. Anasuya Kulkarni,** accompanied by Vid. N.N. Ganesh on violin, Vid. H.L. Shivashankaraswamy on mridanga and Vid. S. Manjunath on ghata, Suttur Mutt, foot of Chamundi Hill, **6 pm.**



- **Satyaloka Studios:** Chandrasabha - A full moon classical concert, An evening of Classical dance by the students of Vidu. Nandini Eswer and Dr. Rohitha Eswer of Raasavrunda School of Dance and Trishuli School of Arts; Classical music by SGP Sangeetha Sabha & Amrita University, **6 pm;** Hindustani flute concert by Ravishankar Mishra, accompanied by Shashank Rangaraju on tabla, Jaganmohan Palace auditorium, **7 pm.**
- **Hebbar Sri Vaishnava Sabha, Bengaluru - Hebbar Sri Vaishnava Upasabha, Mysuru:** Tirupavai Kalakshepa (discourse) by Vid. M.K. Shelvanarayana, Sri Rama Mandira, Krishnamurthypuram, **6.15 pm to 7.30 pm.**
- **Nadaranga, Mysuru:** Natakotsava 2023-24, Kannada & Culture Assistant Director Dr. M.D. Sudarshan inaugurates, theatre director Prof. H.S. Umesh presides, Kadamba Ranga Vedike President Rajashekar Kadamba and Maharaja's PU College Principal N. Udayashankar chief guests, **6.30 pm;** Staging of mythological play 'Sri Krishna Leelamruta' by Sri Gurukala Shale, Mysuru, written by Sushreelendra Rao Kulkarni, directed by H.S. Kavitha Dhananjaya, Mini Theatre, Kalamandira premises, Hunsur Road, **7 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (DEC. 27)

- **Sri Lakshminarasimha Swamy Temple, Sri Yadugiri Yathiraja Mutt:** Dhanurmasa Puja, darshan timings, Temple premises, Sri Yadugiri Yathiraja Mutt, Kalidasa Road, V.V. Mohalla, **5.30 am to 10.30 am** and **4.30 pm to 7.30 pm.**
- **Mysore Palace Board:** Winter Flower Show, Palace premises, **10 am to 9 pm;** Palace illumination, **7 pm to 9 pm.**
- **Nadaranga, Mysuru:** Natakotsava 2023-24, theatre songs of mythological play by Nadaranga, Mysuru, **6 pm;** Staging of rural children play 'Belakina Loka Bere Kattala Loka Bere' by Sri Vagbharati Kala Spandana, Mysuru, written by Kavya Kadame and directed by M. Lingaraju, Mini Theatre, Kalamandira premises, Hunsur Road, **7 pm.**
- **Hebbar Sri Vaishnava Sabha, Bengaluru - Hebbar Sri Vaishnava Upasabha, Mysuru:** Tirupavai Kalakshepa (discourse) by Vid. M.K. Shelvanarayana, Sri Rama Mandira, Krishnamurthypuram, **6.15 pm to 7.30 pm.**

* 2BHK Flat in Saraswathipuram and Bannimantap, Price 55 Lk
* 30x50 in RT Nagar, 3BHK, E/F, price 1.40 Cr
* 50x80, N/F, Vijaynagar 4th stage, 80 ft Rd, Price 2.90 Cr
* 60x40 House, KC Layout, S/F, Price 3.25 Cr

Vyshak Raman
77606 49855
Brokers Excuse

2.5 BHK
HOME INTERIORS @
₹ 2.5 Lakhs*
Home Space Mart
TALK TO OUR DESIGN TEAM
✆ 8197310113

WANTED FOR RENT
3 BHK Fully Furnished in Siddhartha Layout, K.C. Layout or Ittigegud.
Brokers Excuse
Ph: 86180 50029

WANTED
Female Office Manager
Salary 25000-30000/-
Ph.7406 369 369

Famous Kerala Astrologer
Palm Reader
Our Services: Marriage Consultation, Career Astrology, Property Matters etc.,
Call for Appointment in Mysuru.
Pandit S. Shivaprasad Tantri
Mob: 9686525894

WANTED
- Marketing Manager - 20 Nos Salary 20k allowance 5k
- Marketing Executive - 30 Nos Salary 16k allowance 5k
- Telecaller - 5 Nos - Salary 10k
- Accounts - 3 Nos - Salary 15k
- TV Anchor - Part time/Full time
- Pigmy Collection Boy - 5 Nos

Contact: Nama Suraksha:
80500 51 444

STAR OF MYSORE
DISCLAIMER
Readers may make appropriate enquiries regarding the Advertised product with the Advertisers concerned. Star of Mysore shall not be held liable for any consequences or entering into any commitment in relation to any advertisement published in this Newspaper.
— Management

FLATS FOR SALE IN MYSORE
3 bhk 1656 sft. 99 Lakhs
2 bhk 1336 sft. 80 Lakhs } Lakshmipuram
3 bhk 1552 sft. 77.50 Lakhs
2 bhk 1182 sft. 59.00 Lakhs } Vijayanagar 3rd Stage
"SITES AT DIFFERENT LOCATIONS"
Contact:- 89700 01234

HIRING - SITE / LAND SURVEYOR
- Experience: Min 05-06 years
- Knowledge in Operating "Total Station" is a must.
- Should be capable of Carrying out Topographical Survey, Land Survey, Taking Contour Levels and Establish Building Line & Levels

send your updated CVs to:
inframys@engineer.com

FOR FUNCTIONS AND MEETINGS
DOCTORS COMMUNITY HALL

Alanahalli, T. Narasipura Road, Ring Road Junction, Mysuru
Well furnished Auditorium, Dining Hall, Generator, Parking Space, etc.,
Call: 96111 72148, 94495 61722
Office time 11 am to 6.00 pm on all days

Dasthi College of Para Medical Sciences
Kuvempunagara, Mysuru-23
WANTED
RETIRED MEDICAL OFFICER
with MBBS., Qualification to teach Pathology & Bacteriology to Paramedical Diploma Students.
Contact Mob: 94486 03318 / 89044 03905

Dasthi College of Para Medical Sciences
Kuvempunagara, Mysuru-23
ONLY FEW SEATS AVAILABLE
Admission to Para Medical Diploma in Laboratory Technician Course (DMLT)
Contact:
Mob: 94486 03318 / 89044 03905

PUBLIC NOTICE

The General Public at large is hereby notified that, my client is desirous to purchase the under mentioned properties from its Owners, namely **1] S.T. BUDDI SAGAR,** son of S. P. Tammaiah, and **2] PRABHAKARA RAO BOBADE,** son of Late Yashawantha Rao Bobade, If, any person/(s), including Bank, Financial Institution, Private Financier and all Statutory Authorities, claiming any right, interest, objections or charges on the under mentioned Schedule Property or any part thereof, is/are hereby required to contact me at my Office **SLD Law Firm, No. 1458/A, N.S. Road, Near Sapna Book House, Mysuru-570001,** with documentary evidence, within **10 (Ten)** days from the date of this publication, as otherwise the said transaction will be completed without any reference or regard to any such purported claim or interest, which shall be deemed to have been waived for all intents and purposes.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

ALL THAT PIECE AND PARCEL OF THE Immovable Agricultural Lands totally measuring an extent of 04 Acres 12 ½ Guntas, situated at **Harohalli Village, Varuna Hobli, Mysuru Taluk, Mysuru District,** the following Survey Numbers, Khatha Nos., Extents, Owner, and its Boundary details are as under:

Sy. No.	Khatha No.	Extent A	Extent G	Boundary East	Boundary West	Boundary North	Boundary South
83/1	615	00	30	Sy. No. 84/3	Sy. No. 1101	Sy. No. 82 & 81	Sy. No. 83/2
1101	2360	00	37.8	Sy. No. 83/1	Sy. No. 113	Part of Sy.No. 1101	Part of Sy.No. 1101
Owner: S.T. Buddisagar							
122/1	79	01	01	Sy. No.1102	Sy.No.129	Sy.No. 121	Sy.No. 122/2
122/2	456	00	34	Sy Nos. 123 & 1102	Sy.No.129	Sy.No. 122/1	Sy.No. 122/3
84/2	53	00	30	Sy. Nos. 87 & 88	Sy. No. 84/3	Sy.No. 84/1	Sy.No. 85
Owner: Prabhakar Rao Bobade							

ಮೈಸೂರು ಮಿತ್ರ
ಪೆಸಗಿನ ಸಾಯಂಕಾಲ ದಿನಪತ್ರಿಕೆ
STAR OF MYSORE
Evening English Daily

Advertisement Collection Centres in City

VIVEKANANDA NAGAR
KUMAR STORES
902, Vivekanand Circle Mysuru
Ph: 0821 - 3558120
Mob: 8050247639

KUVEMPU NAGAR
KUMAR MEDICALS
#102/A, 'Panchamantra Road, Kuvempunagar, Mysuru-23
Mob: 8762717139

KUVEMPU NAGAR
AADHYA BOOKS & STATIONERY
124, Panchamantra Road, Kuvempunagar, Mysuru-23
Mob: 9620166033

SARASWATHIPURAM
MAHAVEER JEWELLERS
2961/12, 4th Main, 5th Cross, Mysuru
Ph: 0821-2525400
Mob: 9845861856

T.K. LAYOUT
SRI BASAVESHWARA FANCY & STATIONERIES CENTRE
#141/3, 8th Main, 8th Cross, Opp. Nagalingeshwara Temple, Mysuru-09. Ph: 0821-2340453
Mob: 9945779947/9742421313

JAYALAKSHMIPURAM
SRINIVASA ENTERPRISES
Shop # 6, Old MCC Building, KD Road, next to KVR Ruchi Centre, Mysuru - 12
Mob: 9964982228/ 8050473454

VIJAYANAGAR
MYSORE GIFT LAB
129, Abhishek Road, Vanivilasa Layout, Vijayanagar 2nd Stage, Hebbal, Mysuru
Mob: 9845353574
We accept Credit Cards

SIDDARTHA NAGAR
DTDC COURIER & CARGO LTD.,
832, Vinaya Marga Siddartha Layout, Mysuru - 570 011
Ph: 0821- 4244997
Mob: 9036111997

VIDYARANYAPURAM
NESARA STATIONERIES
1064/1A, Suez Farm Road, 1st Main, Vidyaranyapuram, Mysuru
Mob: 9886681313

Advertising Department
Ph: 0821-2496523 Mob: 94485-25060 / 98805-49879

Printed by T.S. Gopinath and published by M. Govinde Gowda on behalf of Academy Newspapers Private Limited at Academy Newspapers Private Limited, 15-C, Industrial 'A' Layout, Bannimantap, Mysuru-570 015. Editor: M. Govinde Gowda. Phone: 2496520 / 2496521 / 2496522 / 2496523 / 2496526 / 2496527 / 2496528. City offices: Visveshwaraya Building, III Floor, K.R. CIRCLE, Mysuru-570 001, Phone : 2431774 and No. 114, D.Devaraj Urs Road, Mysuru-570 001, Phone : 2428695, E-mail address: voice@starofmysore.com, For Advertisements: ad@starofmysore.com, RNI Reg. No. 29894/78.